Candia Heritage Commission

Approved Minutes of July 9, 2009

Attendance:

Present: Diane Philbrick (Chair), Carleton Robie (Selectmen's representative), Christine Dupere, Carol Howe (alt), Jim Lindsey,

Ray Cresswell, Betty Sabean (alt), Ron Thomas

Absent: Ken Madden, Sarah Giles (alt)

Guests: Nancy Maloney and Boyd Chivers

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Diane Philbrick at 7:30 PM

Minutes:

Suggestion was made that the 250th. Anniversary be named the Quarter-Millennium Celebration. No motion was made. The minutes of the June 11, 2009 meeting were approved by a unanimous vote of those present and voting.

East Candia Historical Project

Boyd Chivers presented thoughts on preparing the history of East Candia. Boyd agreed to create a draft document for the highway marker. Jim Lindsey has researched most of the houses. Diane Philbrick would like to work on the cemetery. Chris Dupere is working on the map. Ray Cresswell agreed to look into the industrial aspect. Carleton Robie agreed to connect Jim Lindsey up with Junior Purington to discuss some of East Candia's history.

Barbara Jester newspaper articles:

Barbara Jester was unable to attend this meeting of the Commission; however, she is interested in documenting her reporting regarding the history of Candia and East Candia.

Candia Old Home Day – August 29th.

The Commission discussed participating in Old home Day. Diane Philbrick agreed to submit an application to the OHD committee.

Semiquincentennial celebration (250th anniversary):

Nancy Maloney presented a project on behalf of the Unified Arts program at H. W. Moore School. The project: "A history of Candia by Kids for the Kids". A four year project, it would culminate in March of each year with a dinner and presentation of that years work. It is anticipated that it would be a part of the 250th Celebration in 2013. The sense of the Commission was to support the project in any way possible.

GAR Markers:

Diane Philbrick discussed a letter from Lance Robicheau, JVC, Charles W Canney camp 5, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War in which he expressed a concern regarding the placement of GAR markers on non-civil war veterans graves. The Commission agreed with his concerns and by unanimous vote directed Diane Philbrick to request of Selectman Snow and Cemetery Superintendent Anderson that the markers be removed from inappropriate grave sites and returned to the appropriate sites.

Bowman House Demolition:

Christine Dupere is coordinating the documentation of the Bowman house. It will be done when the Bowman's are available.

Signage:

Christine Dupere has had the Commission logo digitized. The logo is available for our own shirts or for purchased shirts.

New Business:

Monday July 27th is a roundtable meeting with other organizations and the Selectmen. Diane Philbrick will discuss the Semiquincentennial celebration planning effort.

There was a brief discussion of reproducing the Lang History and of an effort to transcribing the oral histories collected by Ed Fowler and the Historical Society.

Meeting adjourned at 9:16PM.

Next meeting – Thursday August 13, 2009 7:30 PM at the town office meeting room.

Respectfully submitted, Ron Thomas Secretary